

TOWN OF VERNON

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MINUTES SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY BOARD 135 BOLTON ROAD VERNON, CONNECTICUT

FEBRUARY 25, 2020 9:30 AM

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The Vernon Senior Citizen's Advisory Board February 25, 2020 meeting was called to order by Chairman Carole Slattery at 9:31AM. The following members were in attendance: Bill Tyler, Wes Shorts, Maryann Hopowiec; Ron Kane, Carole and Ed Slattery, Patty Noblet and Pat Iamonaco. In addition, Maureen Gabriele, Senior Center Director joined the Board.

No members of the public were present.

The November 19, 2019 minutes were reviewed by all present. One minor typo was corrected on page two to remove if and make it "is". Wes Shorts made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Pat Iamonaco and passed unanimously.

It was reported by Carole Slattery that no correspondence was sent or received.

The Treasurer's Report for the months of November 2019, December, 2019 and January, 2020 was presented by Treasurer Wes Shorts. As of November 1, 2019 the beginning balance of the Endowment Fund was \$40,494.98. The interest accrued was \$58.23 bringing the new total to: \$40,553.21. December, 2019 the beginning balance of the Endowment Fund was \$40,553.21. The interest accrued was \$59.21 bringing the new total to: \$40,612.42. January, 2020 the beginning balance of the Endowment Fund was \$40,612.42. The interest accrued was \$58.18 bringing the total to \$40,670.60.

No Committee Reports presented.

Maureen Gabriele, Director of the Vernon Senior Center presented updates on programs and activities at the Senior Center for the month. The new part-time receptionist is on board. Beth Bates will be working the front desk, while Cindy has moved to Sue Ward's old location. Sue Ward will now be sitting in the old staff room, which will allow her to work more privately on issues and concentrate on the newsletter. The Assistant Program Coordinator position has been interviewed for but not filled at this time. Lea and Patty are doing a great job in the kitchen. The lunch program is very popular with 30-65 meals served each seating. This program is totally funded by the participants at this time. No town funding is provided for the actual lunches.

The Fitness Center is not as busy as originally thought. The Select Physical Therapy staff are available during their morning hours and in addition have begun presenting programming as time allows. This months program is "Get Up and Get Moving", next month is centered around "Nutrition". We are still looking for a Silver Sneakers provider.

Trips are very popular. This month we are taking a trip to Haddam, Connecticut to do some bald eagle watching. In the coming months there are trips planned to Philadelphia, Rocking Horse Ranch, Alaska and Iceland. These trips will allow the Center to produce some income.

Membership continues to grow. As of mid February the Center has signed up 1738 new members. Every day someone comes to sign up.

Newsletter is a week behind due to technology issues over the last two weeks. This will slow down the distribution but only by a week or so. The newsletter is on line for anyone who wants to view it electronically.

Carole Slattery, Chairman shared that she has participated in both the Fitness Center and the lunch program these last few months and is very pleased with both. It was requested by David Alter that the Center consider subscribing to both the Journal Inquirer and the Hartford Courant for the Center membership. Maureen said she would check into it.

No new or old business was presented.

A request was made for a copy of the listing of Board Member terms. Diane Wheelock, Recording Secretary will provide at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15AM with a motion by Wes Shorts and seconded by Pat Iamonaco. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Diane Wheelock

Recording Secretary